### HTTP://BRISTOLABC.WORDPRESS.COM - FEBUARY 2012 PRISONER LIST

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ABOUT THIS LIST: This list is compiled from various sources, and every prisoner on it is believed to welcome political support. All prisoners are political prisoners. We try very hard to keep this list up to date and correct, but cannot guarantee all details are 100% right, or that every prisoner welcoming support is included. Corrections and further info are welcomed if you have it.

### NOTES ON WRITING:

- always put a return name and address on your envelope and your letter/card. It's always good to use a post office box or something similar.
- for UK prisoners always include their name & prison number on envelope and each sheet or paper/item in it. Enclose an SAE if you'd like a reply, as prisoners have limited resources & access to stamps.
- your letter will be read by prison authorities so avoid provocative images, slogans, text and anything that may cause trouble for the prisoner.
- do not send books or other items without checking with prisoner first.

#### **BRITISH ISLES**

# Stokes Croft Defendants & Prisoners

Over 60 people have been arrested in Bristol following riots in Stokes Croft in late April 2011 (and more arrested since early August riot). There are a few people on remand or sentenced in both adult & youth prisons. Several people have been sentenced this week and we await their instruction on how public they want their details to be, so please contact us via email or phone. To support both defendants and prisoners get in touch with Bristol Defendant Solidarity for more info. Contact details here: http://bristolabc.wordpress.com/defendant-solidarity/

Stephen Carroll – A2100CJ, HMP Gloucester, A Wing, Barrack Square, Gloucester, GL1 2JN. Stephen has been sentenced for 16 months after being found guilty of 3 charges: assaulting a police officer, destroying a camcorder and violent disorder. He was assaulted by a cop during the riot and during arrest.

Elijah Smith ('General' James Hutton) – A3186AM, HMP Horfield, 19 Cambridge Rd, Horfield, Bristol, BS7 8PS. Found guilty of violent disorder during riots in Stokes Croft, he is now awaiting sentencing in January. He is also on remand for incidents relating to 26th March 2011 in London.

Asher Hickman – A5033CJ, A3-17, HMP Bristol, 19 Cambridge Road, Horfield, Bristol, BS7 8PS. Asher is a young man sentenced to 14 months in prison for violent disorder and burglary. He welcomes letters, cards, postcards, pictures, drawings and magazines. He asks for people to please send stamped addressed envelopes, as well, if they would like him to reply as he doesn't get many stamps per week.

### **Anti-Fascist Prisoners**

6 UK anti-fascists were sentenced in a 'conspiracy' case and were sentenced over the summer of 2011 for up to 21 months. 2 (Sean Cregan and Andy Baker) were released on the 30th December, both on "tag". Thomas Blak was released and deported to Denmark. See http://antifascistprisonersupportuk.wordpress.com/addresses/

The others welcome ongoing support:

Phil De Souza – A5766CE, HMP Elmley, Eastchurch, Sheerness, Kent ME12 4AY.

Ravinder Gill – A5770CE, HMP Wayland, Griston, Thetford, Norfolk IP25 6RL.

Ravi can receive posters, so if you hold a support event consider sending him one in.

Austen Jackson – A5729CE, HMP Stocken, Stocken Hall Road, Stretton, Nr Oakham, Rutland LE15 7RD

Prisoners from London Demos (Student demos of late 2010 and March 26 anti-cuts demo)

Edward Woollard – write c/o Chris Rawlinson, Student Union, Brockenhurst College, Lyndhurst Road, Brockenhurst, Hampshire SO42 7ZE. Enclose an SAE.

Email – writetoedwoollard[at]gmail.com

Ed is a student serving 30 months after involvement in student protest that stormed Tory HQ in London, November 2010. Info at support4edwoollard.wordpress.com

Harry Webb (A4895CG) – HMP Wandsworth, Heathfield Road, London SW18 3HS

Serving a 12 month sentence for alleged violent disorder during the March 26th demonstration despite having been violently attacked by the police. Harry would really appreciate the odd postal order as he doesn't have any money.

Michael Newton (A6611CE) – HMP Preston, Wing C4–17, 2 Ribbleton Lane, Preston, Lancs, PR1 5AB Serving 12 months for a J30 action and multiple other minor charges. This anarchist from Cumbria is due out on early release on 30 December (we hope). No update as of mid-Jan. Shortly before being arrested, Michael had compiled a fundraising dvd for prisoner support groups. If you asked about a copy you'll know now why you never heard back. Michael welcomes letters, posters and pictures.

Matt Robinson (A5988AZ) – HMP Wandsworth, Heathfield Road, London SW18 3HS Sentenced to 12 months for alleged violent disorder on the student demos.

Zenon Mitchell-Kotsakis (A6970CH) – HMYOI Portland, 104 Grove Road, Portland, Dorset DT5 1DL Sentenced to 15 months on November 4 2011 for actions on student demos (throwing a placard stick at a riot cop (it missed) on the November 10 protest).

Joseph Binney A5569CH, HMP Wandsworth, Heathfield Road, Wandsworth, London, SW18 3HS Joseph was found guilty of violent disorder from the M26 demo and remanded for sentencing on 25th November. He has since been sentenced to 2 years and is back at Wandsworth.

Richard Bacon (A5156CH) – HMP Wandsworth, Heathfield Road, London SW18 3HS Serving a 10 month sentence for Affray (s3).

Oguz Ornek (A6914CH), Glen Parva YOI, 10 Tigers Road, Wigston, Leicester, LE18 4TN 19 yrs old – he had pleaded guilty to violent disorder. 18 months custodial at YOI.

Michael Newton (A6611CE), HMP Preston, Wing C4 17, 2 Ribbleton Lane, Preston, Lancs., PR1 5AB J30 action and other minor charges.12 month custodial. Michael welcomes letters, posters and pictures.

Letters for the following prisoners should be sent to London ABC, c/o Freedom Bookshop, Angel Alley, 84b Whitechapel High Street, London E1 7QX (with prisoners' name inside the envelope please):

Omar Ibrahim – Sentenced to 18 months on 4 November 2011 for Violent Disorder for throwing an item at Topshop on March 26th demo. He can receive stamps and envelopes. See his blog for more info – bangedupforprotesting.wordpress.com

Charlie Gilmour – Serving 16 months for alleged violent disorder on March 26th demo.

Richard Bezzina – Imprisoned for 21 months for alleged violent disorder during the August London Riots. Please note that Richard struggles to read and write.

James Heslip – Sentenced to 12 months on October 5th 2011 for alleged violent disorder at the student protests at Millbank last year.

Richard Craig – serving 20 months for property damage

# Yet more prisoners:

John Bowden (6729) HMP Shotts, Canthill Road, Shotts, Lanarkshire, Scotland, ML7 4LE. Long-term prison resister who has been in jail all his adult life since 1982, after being convicted of murder. Politicised by his prison experiences, he has survived long periods of isolation, brutal beatings, and treatment amounting to torture. He is one of the UK's most articulate & vociferous prison writers, and a powerful advocate of prisoner's rights. He is now eligible for open prison. He is still fighting for parole, still fighting the prison system. During December 2011 John was put into solitary confinement in HMP Shotts in Scotland. This was done after allegations that he was part of the "jail-wide" organisation of a sit down protest in the exercise yard, despite the fact that there was no evidence, the apparent protest did not take place and no-one else was punished for the "jail-wide threat". See http://bristolabc.wordpress.com/prison-texts/john-bowden/

Ben Gunn (A8761AN) HMP Sudbury, Ashbourne, Derbyshire, DE6 5HW.

He is now out of solitary confinement and continues to appreciate correspondence.

Lifer has served 31yrs on a 10yr tariff, largely for standing up for prisoner's rights. He was on the roof of Horfield prison during the April 1990 prison riots. He is a jailhouse lawyer fighting to establish an Association of Prisoners (prisoners union) and get votes for prisoners. Has now been recommended for parole, but also diagnosed with cancer. Now in a Cat D prison. see prisonerben.blogspot.com

Kevan Thakrar – A4907AE, Close Supervision Centre (CSC), HMP Woodhill, Tattenhoe Street, Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire, MK4 4DA

Kev was sentenced to 35 years in October 2008 for three counts of murder, two of attempted murder and one firearms offence. After being charged Kev states that police officers told him when he was taken out for exercise, "we know you didn't do it but if you don't help us we will make sure you serve 50 years". He is now in the Close Supervision Centre at HMP Woodhill, veritable torture units. Many letters to Kev have been returned by HMP Woodhill stating that he is no longer at this establishment. Kev is still at HMP Woodhill. if your mail is returned to you in this manner please write directly to governor Nigel Smith with your complaint. In Nov 2011, Kev was found not guilty of attempted murder, wounding with intent and GBH against prison officers in HMP Frankland. The finger of blame was instead pointed directly back at the Prison Service, whose regime of racism and violence was clearly exposed throughout the four-week trial. He is now awaiting transfer

from CSC HMP Woodhill. He is also sending his case to the Criminal Cases Review Commission (CCRC). He really appreciates letters and is an avid reader. His date of birth is 09/03/1987 and he is from the North of London/Hertfordshire area. Check out his website! See: justiceforkevan.com

#### Yarl's Wood 3

Sheree Wilson(A0353AQ) & Aminata Camara (TG8688), HMP Holloway, Parkhurst Rd, London, N70NU 2 of the The Yarl's Wood 3 imprisoned in HMP Holloway since February 2010 for their part in a hunger strike at Yarl's Wood Immigration Detention Centre. The 3rd, Denise McNeil, was granted bail in January. Please write to them. Info: freedenisenow@gmail.com &

http://ncadc.org.uk/blog/2011/01/free-at-last-denise-mcneil-released-on-bail/

Aminata Camara, (TG8688), HMP Bronzefield, Woodthorpe Road, Ashford, Middlesex TW15 3JZ

Sheree Wilson (A0353AQ), HMP and YOI Holloway, Parkhurst Road, London N7 0NU

# Animal Rights – SHAC 7

Heather Nicholson (A3158AJ), C1-01, HMP Send, Ripley Road, Send, Surrey, GU23 7LJ. A founder of the international Stop Huntingdon Animal Cruelty campaign, sentenced to 11 years. Birthday 30 January. NOTE Heather has recently been moved, so this is her new address.

Gavin Medd-Hall (A3624AD) HMP Coldingley, Shaftesbury Road, Bisley, Surrey GU24 9EX Sentenced on 21 Jan 2009 to eight years in connection with the campaign against Huntingdon Life Sciences. Birthday 20 March. (Please remember that Gavin has poor eyesight and will appreciate if you write in clear, large writing).

### SHAC 6

Sarah Whitehead (VM7684) – HMP Downview, Sutton Lane, Sutton, Surrey SM2 5PD Sentenced 25/10/10 to 6 years. Just been moved to HMP Downview. Birthday 12 Feb

Other Animal Rights (See arprisoners.org and http://www.alfsg.org.uk)

Mel Broughton A3892AE, HMP Bullingdon, PO Box 50, Bicester, Oxon. OX25 1WD Mel was remanded on 14 December 2007 and was sentenced on 13th February 2009 to 10 years for animal rights related offences against Oxford University animal lab. On 13th July, at his re-trial, Mel was found guilty of conspiracy to commit arson. He is currently in Bullingdon prison, but may be moved. He has to serve the remainder of his 10 year sentenced, passed in February 2009.

Recently released: Jonny Ablewhite, Kerry Whitburn, Gregg Avery, Natasha Avery, Dan Wadham

# More info on UK & International prisoners:

brightonabc.org.uk leedsabc.org network23.org/londonabc

Prison Regime Info:

insidetime.org/info-regimes.asp

# **EUROPE**

### **BELARUS**

Belarus ABC is currently supporting 6 comrades imprisoned in Belarus for between 3 and 8 years, mainly in prisons with extremely tough regimes. The authoritarian nature of the Belarus state, and its dictator, makes such work very difficult. Please check the Belarus ABC website for more information about their situation, abcbelarus.org/?cat=3&lang=en. There is more info on the situation in Belarus, prisoners, and the repression by the state, here: spring96.org/en/news/43788

Pavel Syramolatau – 213030 Slavgorodskoe shosse 3 km, Mogilev IK-19, Belarus. He was detained on January 17, 2011 on suspicion of the attack on the KGB headquarters in Bo-bruisk. The attack was launched on October 14, 2010 in solidarity with the anarchists arrested in September 2010. On May 18, 2011 was found guilty of intentional destruction of property and sentenced to 7 years of colony with reinforced regime.

Artsiom Prakapenka – IK-17, 213004 Shklov, Mogilevskaja obl., otr. 15 Belarus. He was detained on January 17, 2011 on suspicion of the attack on the KGB headquarters in Bo-bruisk. The attack was launched on October 14, 2010 in solidarity with the anarchists arrested in September 2010. On May 18, 2011 was found guilty of intentional destruction of property and sentenced to 7 years of colony with reinforced regime.

Vaskovich Evgeni Sergeevich – Tyurma №4, 212011, ul.Krupskoj 99A, Mogilev Belarus. (Please address your letters to Jauhen, but put his full name in Russian on the envelope). He was detained on January 17, 2011 on suspicion of the attack on the KGB headquarters in Bobruisk. The attack was launched on October 14, 2010 in solidarity with the anarchists arrested in September 2010. Jauhen was a member of a Belarusian Christian

Democracy party and a local Bobruisk cell of the Youth Front nationalist orthodox organisation, he also wrote for the newspaper "Bobruiski courier". On May 18, 2011 was found guilty of intentional destruction of property and sentenced to 7 years of colony with reinforced regime.

Olinevich Igor Vladimirovich – IK-10, 211440, Vitebskaya obl., Novopolotsk, ul. Tekhnicheskaya, 8, otr. 12 Belarus. (Please address your letters to Ihar, but put his full name in Russian on the envelope). Ihar Alinevich is a Belarusian anarchist. On May 27, 2011 is found guilty of participating in the attack on the Russian embassy in Minsk, the arson of the Belarusbank, the attack on the casino "Shangri La" and the anti-militarist manifestation near the General Staff headquarters and was sentenced to 8 years of colony with the reinforced regime for group hooliganism and intentional destruction of property

Frantskevich Aleksandr Vladimirovich – IK-22 "Volchi nory", 225295, Brestskaya obl., Ivatsevichski r-n, st. Domanovo, otr. 2, Belarus. (Please address your letter to Aliaksandar, but put his full name in Russian on the envelope). Aliaksandr Frantskievich is a Belarusian anarchist. On May 27, 2011 was found guilty of participation in the attack on the police station in Soligorsk; the attack on the Trade Union Federation building; hacking the web-page of Novopolotsk municipality and sentenced to 3 years in a colony with the reinforced regime for group hooliganism and computer sabotage.

Dedok Nikolai Aleksandrovich – IK-15, 213105, Mogilev, p/o Veino, Slavgorodskoe shosse, 5 km. otr.4, Belarus. (Please address your letter to Mikalai, but put his full name in Russian on the envelope. Mikalai Dziadok is a Belarusian anarchist. On May 27, 2011 was found guilty of the attack on the casino "Shangri La", the attack on the Trade Union Federation building and the participation in the anti-militarist manifestation near the General Staff and sentenced to 4.5 years of standard regime penal colony for group hooliganism.

### **BULGARIA**

Jock Palfreeman – Sofia Central Prison, 21 General Stoletov Boulevard, Sofia 1309, BUL Jock is an Australian, committed anti-fascist, with links to Bristol. In December 2009 after 2 years on remand he got 20 years for the murder and attempted murder of 2 Bulgarian racist football thugs. Jock states he acted in self-defence against a 15 strong group. His final appeal in Bulgaria has been denied, despite overwhelming evidence in his favour. When writing don't stick anarchy symbols etc. on your letter. He appreciates political books if you can send something, but check with him first. Jock went to court mid 2011 and the claimants wanted to increase his sentence to life/life without parole- they failed but the 20 year sentence remains. Info: www.freejock.com

### **GERMANY**

Thomas Meyer-Falk, JVA Bruchsal, Zelle 3117, Schoenbornstr. 32, 76646 Bruchsal, Germany. Sentenced 1996 to 15yrs & 9 months for a fundraising bank robbery, and in isolation for 11 years. Needs support, but note mail is censored so write sensibly and not from any group. Book due out in English shortly. Info at www.freedomfor-thomas.de

# **Munich Squatters**

Three young squatters are serving 5 years sentences after throwing stones at the police evicting their squat in 2007, an action which was inflated by the authorities into a charge of attempted murder.

Sven Maurer, Marktplatz 1, 96157 Ebrach, Germany Stephanie Träger, JVA Aichach, Münchner Strasse 33, 86551 Aichach, Germany Lukas Winkler, Marktplatz 1, 96157 Ebrach, Germany More information at www.hausbesetzerinnensoli.de.vu

# Aachen 4

In June 2004, near Aachen in the area of the German/Dutch border, police stopped a car with four people, including Spanish anarchist fugitives Jose Delgado and Gabriel Pombo da Silva, Begonia Pombo da Silva (Gabriel's sister) and Bart de Geeter. The car attempted to escape, and shots were exchanged. Two remain in prison serving 13 & 14 year sentences. Gabriel recently had much of his stuff seized from his cell as repression continues.

Gabriel Pombo da Silva, JVA Aachen, Krefelder Str. 251, 52070 Aachen, Germany. See: 325.nostate.net/?p=3319 for a recent public letter from Gabriel.

Jose Fernandez Delgado, Aachenerstr. 47, 53359 Rheinbach, Germany

Tommy Tank, JVA Torgau, Am Fort Zinna 7, 04860 Torgau. Tommy was sentenced to three years and six months' imprisonment on charges of serious arson, disturbing the peace and attempted theft.

Sonja Suder, JVA Frankfurt III, Obere Kreuzäckerstr. 4, 60435 Frankfurt am Main. Sonja waits in jail awaiting trial because of several alleged attacks by the Revolutionary Cells in the 70s. More information verdammtlangquer.org .

For more news from Germany, (with a few English texts) see www.abc-berlin.net

#### **GREECE**

There are now too many comrades imprisoned in Greece for us to list accurately here. Some are sentenced, others awaiting trial. There was a good list of Greek prisoners at the Solidarity fund for prisoners in struggle (http://tameio.espivblogs.net/en/) but it seems out of date. The best list of Greek prisoners is currently here: actforfree.nostate.net/?page id=4043

The Solidarity Assembly Athens has good info (in Greek) at safa.espiv.net
There is info about the Solidarity Assembly Athens in English here: actforfree.nostate.net/?p=3761
There is regular news, updates, letters from Greek prisoners and more at Act for Freedom Now – actforfree.nostate.net

Prison notes – the Greek prisoner population has increased by over 3000 in the last 10 years, from 8343 in 2001 to over 11600 in 2011, with 6 new prisons built in the last 5 years. Meanwhile over 5000 people are held in holding cells with no access to exercise yards or other facilities. For Greek people the economic crisis is also a crisis of repression, emphasising the need for a social revolution, not another IMF/EU bailout that will only benefit the rich and powerful.

ITALY (More info: http://www.informa-azione.info/indirizzi\_detenuti%29

# Il Silvestre prisoners

Il Silvestre is an eco-anarchist organisation originally based in a social centre in Pisa, Tuscany. They publish a radical ecologist magazine called Terra Selvaggia (Wild Earth). They have been under attack for quite a few years now, since they received, and published, a communiqué written by another anarchist group called COR (Cellule di Offensiva Rivoluzionaria, or Revolutionary Offensive Cells) in 2006. Since then many people involved have been arrested, mainly for terrorism & subversive association charges.

Leonardo Landi, Casa di Reclusione, Via Casale 50/a, 15040 San Michele (AL), Italy. Leonardo was arrested in November 2009, but he was on the run since May 2008. The police had issued an international warrant for robbery and subversive association against him and others. He's been found guilty of robbery and sentenced to 6 years in July 2010; but he's been acquitted of the charge of subversive association.

William Frediani, Casa di Reclusione, Strada Casale 50/A, 15040 San Michele (AL), Italy. He was arrested in 2004. Accused of being a member of the COR (Revolutionary Offensive Cells, see above). During that year the COR claimed a series of arson attacks against local members of the right-wing party Alleanza Nazionale in Pisa, Tuscany.

#### Other Italian prisoners:

Antonio Mescia, c/o Casa di Reclusione di Civitavecchia, Via Aurelia, km 79,600 00053 – Civitavecchia (RM), Italy. Antifa activist arrested in Naples on 1st May 2010, after a fight between activists and fascists at the yearly International Workers' Day demo.

Carmelo Musumeci, Casa Circondariale, Via Maiano 10,06049 Spoleto (PG), Italy. He is an anarchist lifer who has already spent more than 20 years in Spoleto's jail. Carmelo has done numerous hunger strikes, is a prolific writer and an active campaigner for the abolishment of life detention (check out the organisation he's involved with at http://www.informacarcere.it/campagna\_ergastolo.php?language=uk)

Mauro Rossetti Busa, Casa Circondariale, Via San Biagio 6, 81030 Carinola (CE), Italy. He's a prisoner arrested numerous times. He became heavily politicised while in prison in the 80s. Arrested again in 2004 for robbery, and accused of arson attacks that happened in 2001 and 2003. Like many others, Mauro is accused of subversive association and "being part of an anarcho-insurrectionalist group". Mauro's been getting a lot of shit for his contacts and friendships with people and groups on the outside.

Claudio Latino; Davide Bortolato; Alfredo Davanzo; Bruno Ghirardi; Vincenzo Sisi; Massimo Gaeta; Salvatore Scivoli; and Massimiliano Toschi, Casa Circondariale, Via Tre Fontane 28, 88100 Siano (CZ), Italy. On 12th February 2007, after a massive police operation called Tramonto (Sunset) that involved more than 500 armed officers, helicopters and the lot, 15 anarcho-communist activists were arrested. Some of them are militants, some only sympathisers, workers and students, some are only acquaintances of the so-called "terrorists".

# **RUSSIA**

Rinat Sultanov, FBU IZ-47\4 ul. Lebedeva d. 39 195009 Saint-Petersburg, Russia.

Rinat was arrested in Saint-Petersburg of Russia 3/11/10, after a siege of apartment of anti-fascists. Accused according to statute 111 of Russian criminal codex, "Grievous bodily harm, caused with an intent", for a fight with local fascists in autumn of 2008. Originally from Siberia, Rinat moved to St. Petersburg a few years ago, and took active part in the local anti-fascist movement, involved in both setting up anti-fascist websites and street activities. He considers himself as an anarchist and RASH-skinhead.

Note: The situation in Russia is fluid, and with language differences it is difficult to keep up-to-date on numbers of prisoners and their whereabouts – we do know there are more.

More info/updates Moscow ABC (in English) – avtonom.org/en/anarchist-black-cross

#### **SPAIN**

There are 2 relatively new sources of info on Spain & Spanish prisoners: Federation of ABC Groups on Iberian Peninsuhttp://www.nodo50.org/cnala – ABC South Mediterranean (Malaga) – www.cna-m.blogspot.com

#### The Cordoba Four

The Malaga court of appeal sentenced the anarchists Giovani Barcia, Michele Pontolillo and Claudio Lavaza, already sentenced to 11 years on September 1999, for an incident in the Italian vice-consulate in December 1996. Three people wearing balaclavas imprisoned the consul and an employee, sending a message of solidarity to the Italian prisoners jailed by the Judge Marini (the judge who built a false accusation against Italian anarchists) and disappeared with passports and some money. These three Italians were convicted of this, as well as a previous bank robbery with sentences of 49 years for Claudio, 48 years for Giorgio and Giovani, 3 years for Michele (released). Write to them:

Claudio Lavazza – CP. Teixerio – Curtis, Mod. 11, Carretera de Paradela s/n, 15310 A Coruña, Spain. An Italian with long history of struggle.

Giovanni Barcia, CP.El Acebuche, Ctra. Cueva de los Úbeda, km 2,5,04071.- El Acebuche, Almería, Spain.

#### Others:

Juan Carlos Rico Rodriguez – Centro Penitenciario Madrid III – Valdemoro. Carretera Pinto-san Martín de la Vega, 5, 28340 Valdemoro, Madrid. (Anarchist prisoner.)

José Manuel García Rodríguez – C. P. Puerto III. C/ Ctra Jerez-Rota, Km. 6 11500 Puerto de Santa Maria, Cadiz. (A hacker.)

José Maria Pirla Olivan – CP de Albolote, Ctra. Comarcal 220, Km. 6. 18080 Albolote, Granada. (Longest serving anarchist prisoner, over 20 years)

Hamed Hamed Belaid (YUMA). – CP. Sevilla 2, SE-451 km 5,5. 41530 Morón de la Frontera, Sevilla Animal Rights prisoners in Spain: All of the Spanish 12 have now been RELEASED- the final three on 22/july/2011.

On 22 june 2011 some 12 activists were arrested on all sorts of allegations. 9 have been charged/released, but 3 remain in prison, details are:

Olaya Freiría Mato, 2011019943 RELEASED

Centro Penitenciario de Teixeiro, módulo 10., Carretera Paradela, s/n., Teixeiro. 15310. Curtis. A Coruña, Spain/España

Eladio Manuel Ferreira Díaz. 2011019980 RELEASED

Centro Penitenciario de Teixeiro, módulo 14., Carretera Paradela, s/n., Teixeiro. 15310. Curtis. A Coruña, Spain/España

Eneko Pérez Rodríguez, 2011019978 RELEASED

Centro Penitenciario de Teixeiro, módulo 14., Carretera Paradela, s/n., Teixeiro. 15310. Curtis. A Coruña, Spain/España

# SWITZERLAND

Marco Camenisch, PF 45, CH-5600 Lenzburg, Switzerland.

In the late 1970s Marco Camenisch (b. 1952) was a militant of the popular movement against nuclear power stations. He was arrested in 1980 and subsequently got a 10 year prison sentence for attacks against the Swiss nuclear industry. Luckily, he was able to escape. In 1989 corporate media and Swiss secret services accused him of murdering a border police officer. Marco rejected these claims. In 1991 he was arrested again, this time in Italy, and convicted for acts of sabotage against the nuclear industry. In 2002 he was extradited to Switzerland and sentenced to an additional 18 years of prison based on a dubious murder charge (the border copper). Though afterwards, the Swiss Federal Supreme Court declared the sentence inadmissible. In 2007 it was reduced to 8 years. As late as 2018 they must release him. Marco describes himself as a green anarchist. He is a very active and sincere supporter of left and progressive social movements; also, he took part in numerous protests behind bars.

Silvia Guerini, Costantino Ragusa, Luca Bernasconi

Silvia Guerini: Postfach 45, 3324 Hindelbank, Switzerland

Costantino Ragusa: PF 3143, 8105 Regensdorf, Switzerland

Luca (Billy) Bernasconi: Gefängnis Pfäffikon, Hörnlistrasse 55, 8330 Pfäffikon (ZH), Switzerland.

They were arrested 15 April 2010 at a check point near Zurich and charged with the transport and attempt to use explosive material. Found guilty on 22 July 2011 and sentenced to between 3 and 4 years each.

Costa, Silvia and Billy are eco-anarchists linked to the Italian group Il Silvestre and to the Swiss eco-anarchist prisoner Marco Camenisch. All mail is translated by the state into German and censored, so don't send anything overtly political or they may not get it. Info at www.silviabillycostaliberi.tk

### NORTH AMERICA

### TURTLE ISLAND/CANADA

# Toronto G8/G20 defendants & prisoners:

Late June 2010 saw mass protests against the G8/20 meetings in and around Toronto. There were mass arrests of 1093 people. Of these around 200 faced charges, some minor, but some more serious – such as a major 'conspiracy charge'. On November 22, 2011, six comrades pled guilty to counselling charges for organizing to disrupt the Toronto G20 summit in June, 2010.

Greg Noltie-Rowley (also known as Girr Rowley), c/o Toronto Jail, 550 Gerrard St E, Toronto ON, M4M 1X6, Canada. Girr was originally arrested in November of 2010 for breaking a window at a department store during the black bloc action that wrecked havoc on Toronto's financial and shopping districts during the weekend of the G20 meeting. Following his preliminary hearing, he decided to accept a non-cooperating plea bargain. He plead to 1 count of Mischief under \$5000, 1 Count of Masking with Intent and 1 count of Public Nuisance.

Adam Lewis and Peter Hopperton, Central North Correctional Centre, 1501 Fuller Ave., Penetanguishene, Ontario, L9M 2H4, Canada.T hey were each sentenced to 3-5.5 months in jail on conpiracy charges.

Leah Henderson, c/o Vanier Centre for Women at Milton, 665 Martin Street, Milton, Ontario L9T 5E6, Canada. On December 20th, 2011, Leah Henderson was sentenced to 10 months in prison for one count of counseling mischief over \$5,000 CND. This is after 1 and a half years of restrictive bail conditions, house arrest and jail. Read her statement to the court and letter to her community here: http://conspiretoresist.wordpress.com/leah-henderson/

Amanda (Mandy) Hiscocks, c/o Vanier Centre for Women at Milton, 665 Martin Street, Milton, Ontario L9T 5E6, Canada. Mandy has been sentenced to 20-24 month for 1 count of Counseling to Commit Mischief and Counseling to Obstruct Police. With 31 days in pretrial custody and harsh bail conditions taken into account, Mandy's remaining time to serve is 16 months. Her statement to the court can be read at: https://conspiretoresist.wordpress.com/mandy-hiscocks-statement-to-the-court/

Alex Hundert expects to be sentenced to 13.5 months, date to begin TBA.

Ryan Rainville, c/o Guelph ABC, PO Box 183, Guelph, Ontario, N1H 6J6, Canada. Ryan Rainville is currently under house arrest, sentenced for vandalizing several police vehicles at the G20. He also would appreciate letters of support, through Guelph ABC.

Defendants welcoming support & more info here: guelphabc.noblogs.org

More info from g20.torontomobilize.org and toronto.mediacoop.ca and torontoabc.wordpress.com

### Ottawa 3

Charges against 2 of the 3 have been stayed, however Joseph Roger Clement is doing time (3.5 years) after pleading guilty to firebombing a Royal Bank of Canada branch in April 2010. Please send messages of support to him. More info from ottawamovementdefense@gmail.com

Joseph Roger Clement (FPS-420268X), Pittsburgh Institution, Highway 15, No. 3766, PO Box 4510, Kingston, Ontario K7L 5E5, Canada.

#### UNITED STATES

There are over 100 political prisoners and prisoners of war in the US, some have been locked up for near on 40 years, often in solitary confinement. There are in addition many thousands who have engaged in struggles in prisons against the prison regime, often in an attempt to gain just basic rights and treatment – most recently the two mass hunger strikes across California – see: http://prisonerhungerstrikesolidarity.wordpress.com/

This list is a good resource for many of the politicals: http://zinelibrary.info/political-prisoner-and-pow-support-resources

For more prisoner info and prisoner solidarity resources see: abcf.net/abcf.asp?page=prisoners and http://denverabc.wordpress.com/political-prisoners-database/

ZOLO AGONA AZANIA, #4969, P.O. Box 41, Michigan City, IN 46361, Indiana State Prison, U.S. Zolo Azania is a former Black Panther convicted of a 1981 bank robbery that left a Gary, Indiana cop dead.

LYNNE STEWART, #53504-054, P.O. Box 27137, Fort Worth, TX 76127, FMC Carswell, U.S. Radical human rights attorney Lynne Stewart has been falsely accused of helping terrorists. This is an obvious attempt by the U.S. government to silence dissent, curtail vigorous defence lawyers, and install fear in those who would fight against the U.S. government's racism, seek to help Arabs and Muslims being prosecuted for free speech

and defend the rights of all oppressed people.

HANIF S. BEY (B. GEREAU), RR 1 Box 9955, Kingshill, St Croix, V.I 00850, Hanif is part of the "Virgin Island Five", who are supporters of the Virgin Island independence movement to resist colonial rule began to grow in the U.S. occupied Virgin Islands in the 1970s. "Virgin Island Five" are a group of activists accused of murdering eight people in the U.S. Virgin Islands. The five were charged after being subjected to vicious torture, in order to extract confessions.

DANIEL MCGOWAN, #63794-053, FCI Terre Haute – CMU, Post Office Box 33,Terre Haute, Indiana, 47408, U.S. Daniel McGowan is an American environmental activist who was arrested and charged in federal court on multiple counts of arson and conspiracy, relating to the arson of Superior Lumber company in Glendale, Oregon on January 2, 2001 and Jefferson Poplar Farms in Clatskanie, Oregon on May 21, 2001 claimed by the Earth Liberation Front. McGowan was facing a minimum of life in prison if convicted when he accepted a non-cooperation plea agreement on November 9, 2006. His arrest is part of what the US government has dubbed Operation Backfire.

Jerome White-Bey – #37479, Southeast Correctional Center(SECC), 4C-106, 300 East Pedro Simmon Drive, Charleston, MO 63834, U.S. Jerome White-Bey is the founder and president of the Missouri Prisoner Labour Union, an organisation of Missouri prisoners and their outside supporters who are organizing around labour and other prison conditions. Since the founding of the MPLU, Jerome has been subject to administrative harassment and retaliation. He was in the "hole" (administrative segregation) for two years following the formation of the MPLU and has constantly been moved in and out of segregation since.

# LATIN AMERICA

#### **ARGENTINA**

Diego Sebastián Petrissans & Leandro Sebastián Morel. Argentinian anarchists charged with arson attack to a big media company that profits from the oppression of Mapuche indigenous people. Check our blog for more info on their case.

Diego Sebastián: CPF Devoto, Modulo 2, Pabellon 5, Bermudez 2651, Villa Devoto, CP. 1417, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Leandro Sebastián Morel: Prision Regional del Norte U7, Avda Las Heras 1555, CP 3500, Resistencia(Chaco), Argentina.

# **MEXICO**

Mexico ABC lists a number of prisoners on their website and you can email them via their website or the group. Info is in Spanish, see – abajolosmuros.jimdo.com/lista-de-presxs

Braulio Arturo Durán was arrested in September 2010 and is accused of involvement in a series of attacks against banks and other targets. He is being held at the state correctional facility in León awaiting sentencing. Braulio is vegan. Letters to Braulio can be sent to: xliberacionxbrauliox@riseup.net

#### **CHILE**

Info in Spanish for Mapuche prisoners – paismapuche.org/wordpress/?page\_id=94

More news & info from Spanish speaking countries is here in Spanish – lahaine.org